

# MSO Newsletter



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MSO extends a heartfelt appreciation to her members and her supporters who are carrying out our Lord's Great Commission in their global military ministerial works. Below are the MSO's May reports:

### The MEO Program 2022 to Be Held Face to Face

The MEO (Military Evangelism Observation) Program is a program that invites military Christian leaders to Korea from countries where MCFs are not established or whose activities are weak. MSO has been contributing to the establishment of the MCF by inviting and cultivating 270 military Christian leaders from 86 countries for 16 years from 2005 to 2021 to support world military missionary ministries. This year, as the situation of the COVID-19 Pandemic improves, the MEO-P will be held face-to-face at the Naval Central Chapel located in Seoul for 7 nights and 8 days from June 20 (Mon) to 27 (Mon). 15 representatives from 12 countries will participate in the MEO-P 2022.

Region	Country	Participants
Africa(5)	Ghana	2
	Nigeria	1
	<b>Equatorial Guinea</b>	1
	Cameroon	1
Europe(1)	UK	1
South Asia(2)	India	2

Region	Country	Participants
Middle East(2)	Lebanon	1
	Iraq	1
Central Asia(5)	Tajikistan	1
	Kazakhstan	1
	Uzbekistan	1
	Kyrgyzstan	2

The schedule for the MEO-P 2022 is as follows:

Jun 20 (Mon)	Registration, Orientation, Ice-breaking, etc.
Jun 21 (Tue)	Intro of AMCF, MMI, ACCTS, and MSO; Opening Service; Welcoming Luncheon; Intro of Korean Military Missionary Ministry; and Dialog with Former AMCF President
Jun 22 (Wed)	Dawn Prayer Meeting (at CMC); Visits to Panmunjom, Dora Observation Post, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Infiltration Tunnel, and Dora Battalion Chapel; National Salvation Prayer Meeting Opening Service (at the Central Military Chapel (CMC))
Jun 23 (Thu)	Lectures & Practices on IBS, CP, Individual Testimony, and Individual Evangelism; National Report(I)
Jun 24 (Fri)	Lectures on MCF Establishment and Growth; Case Study; Biblical Leadership, National Report( $\mathbf{\Pi}$ ), Farewell Dinner, and Closing Service and Graduation
Jun 25 (Sat)	Visits to Yongsan War Memorial, Baptism Ceremony at the 25 <sup>th</sup> Infantry Division, and sightseeing around Yongsan I-PARK Mall
Jun 26 (Sun)	Sunday Morning Worship Service (at Emmanuel Church); Sightseeing around Kyeongbokgung Palace, Cheongwadae (former Presidential Palace), and Insadong Street; Sunday Evening Worship Service (at Shingil Church)
Jun 27 (Mon)	Sightseeing around Seoul Tower & Korean House village, and Departure

The instructors dispatched from ACCTS, MMI, and MSO will form a Combined Assistance and Training Team (CATT) to conduct the MEO-Program 2022. During the MEO-P period, the incoming AMCF President, a retired Major General Soriano, and 3 PSO chief executives will gather together to discuss how to lead and guide the AMCF ministries around the world. The AMCF Presidential Inauguration Ceremony which is going to be held in October this year is expected to be included in the meeting agenda. The 3 PSO chiefs will also introduce their ministries to General Soriano, the incoming President of the AMCF.

# 2 MSO to celebrate its 20th Anniversary in June

Founded on June 1, 2002, MSO celebrates its 20th anniversary this year, and will hold a worship service to thank God for allowing it to work at the center of global military missionary ministry.

- · Date/Venue: Jun 4 (Sat) 10:00~14:00 / CMC Grand Chapel
- · Sermon: Rev. Kim, Samhwan, President of MEAK(Military Evangelical Association of Korea)
- Invitees (about 100 people): Military mission-related organizations including Military Chaplains'
  Association, KMCF(Korean Military Christian Fellowship), KVMCF(Korean Veteran Military Christian
  Fellowship), Korean Armed Forces Elders' Association, Armed Forces Christian Women's Association,
  MEAK, Korean Middle East Missionaries Association, KWMA(Korean World Missionaries Association),
  and Major Sponsoring Churches
- Detailed Program
  - Part 1 10:00~11:00: 20th Anniversary Thanksgiving Worship (Prayer LTG Lee, Kapjin, MSO Senior Advisor; Sermon Rev. Kim, Samhwan)
  - Part 2 11:00~12:30: Welcoming Remarks by MG Park, Nampil, MSO Chairman; Prayer by Rev. Son, Bongki, Senior Pastor of the CMC; Remarks by General Lee, Pilsup, Former President of AMCF, on God who posited Korea at the center of world military missions; Remarks by General Lee, Jun, MSO First Chairman, on God who established MSO; and Remarks by Rev. Son, Chang-moon, MSO Advisory Pastor, on God who has guided MSO until now
- 3rd part 12:30~14:00: Luncheon and Fellowship (at CMC Mess Hall)

### 3 MSO Education & Training Bureau Held a Workshop

From April 27 (Wed) to 28 (Thu), a workshop of the Education and Training Bureau was held at the Armed Forces Central Military Chapel(CMC) under the supervision of Director BG Yoon, Young-soo with MEO-P and FMC-K interaction instructors attending. Through the workshop, the instructors presented their lecture contents and discussed how to further develop the programs. They decided to conduct rehearsals for the preparation of MEO-P from May to June 2022 with the instructors and staff personnel together.





## 4 Domestic Operations Bureau's Dedication Service (Online)

On April 28 (Thursday), with 45 MSO members attending, a dedication service and ministry report were held by the MSO Domestic Operations Bureau.

The first part was the worship service and prayer meeting, where elder Kim, Dong-myeong, the Domestic Operations Planning Team leader, prayed for the vision of global military missions, and Rev. Yun, Yong-jin, a former senior pastor of the CMC, gave a sermon entitled "Life as a Grain of Wheat." In the second part, a weekly activity report and fellowship with the participants followed.

In the third part, elder Lim, Chul-soo, the director of the Education & Training Bureau, reported the ministry plan of his Bureau. He reported that although the COVID-19 situation continued, sponsoring, cooperating, and supporting activities for world military missions were further expanding, specially by use of IT technology. This event was a precious moment for all the members of the Bureau to pledge to do their best, with prayer and service, in the support of the MSO world military missionary ministries.



Sermon by Rev. Yoon



Ministry Report by Elder Lim



Online Dedication Service of the Domestic Operations Bureau

#### 5 AMCF Activities

- a. AMCF Interaction Preparatory Meeting was held on April 11<sup>th</sup> online, and the representatives of MMI, ACCTS and MSO discussed the preparations for AMCF Global Interaction 2022.
- b. South Africa Regional Interaction Schedule Confirmed:
   Oct 8-15/ South Africa
- c. AMCF Presidential Inauguration Ceremony: October 2nd / WSS,
  Penn, USA; General Srilal Weerasooriya (Sri Lanka) leaving, and General Essel Soriano (Philippines) incoming.



- a. Central Asia Regional Conference (Stan-Dart) (online)/Kazakhstan MCF: May 21
- b. MSO 20th Anniversary Ceremony: Jun 4, 10:00~14:00 /CMC
- c. MEO-P 2022: Jun 20-27/Seoul Naval Central Chapel\* AMCF Leadership Meeting to be held during the MEO-P
- d. The National Salvation Prayer Meeting in remembrance of the Korean War (co-hosted by the Korean Military Chaplains Association & KMCF): Jun 22 24, CMC and local military chapels
- e. Application for FMC-K Interaction 2022: International students attending National Defense University, service colleges, service academies, and defense language institute will apply for the program from June 1 to July 31.



#### **Prayer Requests**

#### For the AMCF

- ① Pray that MCFs will be established as soon as possible in 45 countries which have no MCFs yet (especially Brunei in Southeast Asia, Micronesia in the Pacific, Israel in the Middle East)
- ② May God's wisdom be with the AMCF President General Weerasooriya, the Vice Presidents, the Preparatory Committee, and the Host Country MCF (the UMCEB), which are preparing for the Brazilian World Conference.
- 3 Pray that God will guide General Essel Soriano, who has been appointed as the next AMCF president, to be prepared as a faithful worker for the AMCF ministry.
- 4 Pray that the MCF presidents and leaders will be given the wisdom and power of God so as to establish and revitalize MCFs of their own.
- (§) Pray that 3 AMCF PSOs (ACCTS, MMI, and MSO) will effectively support and closely cooperate for world military missionary ministries. Pray also that the 50th anniversary of ACCTS will be prepared by God's grace.
- ⑥ May the war caused by Russia's invasion of Ukraine end and peace may come soon; May God's grace be filled with AMCF and national MCFs that help Ukrainian soldiers, their families and refugees.
- Tor the safety of Christian soldiers and their families in countries where social unrest and suffering are exacerbated by civil wars, military coups, and the threat of war (Myanmar, Palestine, and Afghanistan, to name a few).
- (8) For local MSO cooperative missionaries to Japan, Japanese Christian soldiers and military mission workers who are striving to establish a church for the Japanese Self-Defense Forces, for video ministry, and for the revitalization of civilian churches' cooperation with Japanese MCF.

#### For the MSO

- ① Pray that in 2022, as a principal supporting organization for the world military missionary ministry, MSO will overcome the COVID-19 Pandemic and fulfill the AMCF missions graciously.
- 2 Pray for the participation of many Christian soldiers in the MEO-P in 2022 from countries where MCFs have not been established and from countries with weak MCF activities so that many dedicated leaders will be nurtured to serve their national MCFs.
- 3 The FMC-K Interaction plan is well established and prepared so that foreign military officers and cadets studying in Korea participating in the program be nurtured as reliable military Christian leaders
- **4** For the health and safety of Christian soldiers, their families and local MSO cooperative missionaries participating in the discipleship training in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan.
- (§) Pray that the Christian soldiers participating in the Central Asian Regional Conference held online on May 21, under the guidance of God, will be full of the Holy Spirit and be ready to vitalize their MCF activities further.
- ⑥ Pray that many of the mission-related organizations and MSO members will participate in the celebration of the 20th anniversary of MSO on June 4 and that this event will greatly contribute to the enhancement of the cooperation between MSO and those organizations for the development of global military missions.
- Pray that the Holy Spirit will lead all MSO members in peace in 2022 and give them physical and spiritual strength.
- ® Pray that the number of regular sponsoring churches and individuals for MSO ministries will be doubled.

